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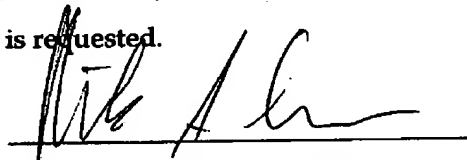
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REMARKS

The Applicant has carefully read and reviewed the Office Action mailed April 23, 2004, and the references enclosed therewith. Claims 11, 13, and 14 were rejected. Claims 11, 13, and 14 have been canceled. Claims 1-10 and 15-21 were allowed. Claims 1-10 and 15-21 are still pending in the application.

The Applicant appreciates the Examiner's finding of allowable subject matter in claims 1-10 and 15-21.

For these reasons, Applicant respectfully asserts that the present claims particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which is regarded as the invention. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and favorable action with respect to the present application is requested.

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